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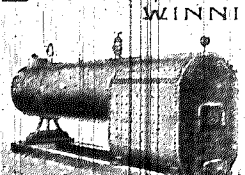
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DR. WOOD'S

PLATINUM DISCOVERIES.

The Metal Found in Manitou and Lake of the Woods.

Two peculiar discoveries of platinum are reported—one from Manitou district and one from the Lake of the Woods. The reports are received with a certain degree of skepticism by local mining engineers, but assay returns from Canadian, American and English headquarters show that the samples submitted have all yielded returns of the precious metal in paying quantities.

Platinum is worth $21 per ounce, its value being entirely utilitarian, as it is used exclusively for scientific purposes. Its largest consumption is in the making of vats, kettles and crucibles for manufacturing nitro-glicerine. It is the only metal which will not corrode holding sulphuric acid at a high temperature. It is used largely also in electrical appliances. The chief source of supply is in Russia, where it is found in the free state in the shape of placer nuggets. It has a strong affinity for gold, and the greatest difficulty is experienced in separating the two metals, they having to be literally torn apart by a chemical process, which leaves the platinum like a sponge, the gold actually separating so reluctantly that the wrenching leaves holes and gashes in its affectionate brother.

To treat platinum ore as found here it will be necessary to adopt a concentrating process, as it will not amalgamate. Being associated with gold however as the assays show, stamp mill and amalgamating plates could be used to save whatever gold may be in the free state, or associated preponderately with the platinum, and the free platinum would pass over the plates to specially devised concentrators, and the metal and other concentrates thus caught would have to be sent away for special treatment.

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sufficiently large quantities to warrant research and investment.

We would advise prospectors having platinum discoveries to interview Theo. Breidenbach, the well known mining engineer, who has had experience in this class of mining, and will be able to give information on the subject.

ASH RAPIDS GOLD COMPANY.

They Will Begin Active Development on Their Properties Here.

Mr. C. A. Moore, a well known western mine manager, having a large experience in Colorado, Idaho and other states, is in town arranging for an early starting up of development work on the Ash Rapids Co's claims on Lake of the Woods. Mr. Moore was appointed general manager of this concern at the first of this year, and he informs the Miner that it is the company's intention to start in and resume operations where they ceased last fall, and to continue the work until the Ash Rapids Company have at least one dividend paying mine. The advent of a man of experience like Mr. Moore is a good sign that his people intend to resume work on a business basis, and he is heartily welcome by the mining community here.

THE People's Forum

We do not hold ourselves responsible for any opinions expressed by our correspondents. All letters must be accompanied with name of writer, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

Rat Portage, Feb. 19, 1902.

To the Editor of The Miner:

Sir,—I this morning read in your issue of the 18th inst., a most timely article headed "Hands Up, Pard." The editorial is on the "legalized robbery" of the insurance companies.

I trust that you will continue to draw the attention of the public to these companies. There are many matters which could be brought to light and which would go to show how unfairly the public are treated by the insurance companies.

It is but a short time ago since Mr. Geo. Evans, an insurance agent of this town, published a letter from Mr. E. A. Little, as, I presume, the manager of some insurance company, and the letter showed that his company, at least, did not intend to take any more insurance in Rat Portage. I have heard that a number of companies have decided not to take any more insurance here, and, in fact, that they have decided to cancel the insurance now existing. These decisions were come to without a proper investigation. I would suggest, Mr. Editor, that you have your untiring reporter

manded." To accomplish this work they have established missions in India, Japan, Turkey, Africa, Denmark, Norway, Sweeden, England, Cuba, Hawaiian and Philippine Islands. Plans are being laid to enter Tibet this year. At present the number of missionaries are 271 in all. Of these 113 are Europeans or Americans, the rest are native evangelists and teachers. These missionaries make it their special business to sow beside all waters. They enter every door as far as possible. Thousands of youth are being taught in the schools and many are being trained to serve as evangelists and teachers. Over 50,000 people are treated in the hospitals and dispensaries annually. While these faithful servants of the Lord are discharging their duties let us not fail in doing faithfully ours.

March 2nd is the time for every disciple of Christ to make an offering for Foreign Missions. We are asked to give $200,000 this year. Over $171,000 were given last year: for this work, and with an increase membership of 50,000 we shall be able to pass the $200,000 mark.

The Church of Christ here will do its full duty in their work and why should she not? The doors of every nation, under heaven, stand wide open to the gospel. The appeals from blood-stained China are most urgently pathetic, the opportunity there is without a parallel in the world's history. Japan is being awakened, thousands are turning to the Lord. The number of missionaries are not sufficient to attend to the spiritual needs of the inquiring multitude. Africa in darkness and sin stretched out her hands imploringly for help. The starving and emaciated souls of India call for help. The cry comes from every sin stricken land, from the islands of the sea "come over and help us."

"Go ye into all the world" is the command of our Lord and Master. It is our duty to obey, and who dare refuse?

J. KEVAN.

TEMPERANCE QUESTION.

Rat Portage, Feb. 20th 1902.

To the Editor of the Miner:

Dear Sir:—The evidence of Chief Woods taken last Monday morning before Judge Robinson, shows that on Saturday last he rescued one Wm. Morrison who in a state of intoxication was walking towards open water in the bay. The young man is 21 years of age and had not the least knowledge of being on the ice. How perilously near we were to adding to our list for this winter another victim of our drinking customs! Only the work

TO OPERATE CLAIM A1282.

The President of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit to Work This Claim.

A great deal of interest was created by our reference in Tuesday's issue of the Miner to the coming here of A. Greatsinger, the president of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, with a party of capitalists, to begin operations in these gold fields, and we are in a position to state now that the property which will be opened by the American syndicate will be mining location A1282, on the Upper Seine, formerly owned by the Minnie's estate, but now taken over by Messrs. Greatsinger, Pyne, Kimberley and Governor Flower, of New York.

Some development has already been done on this claim. There is a shaft 11 feet deep with drifts east and southwest at the first ten feet from the surface, extending 5 feet one way and 7½ the other.

The vein is evidently a true fissure lode in a band of slate or altered schistose greenstone, about 6 feet in width, and carries good values, as it has been worked.

THE MACLACHLAN CONCERT.

The opera house was well filled Wednesday night when Jessie Maclachlan made her bow before a Rat Portage audience, and it was apparent at the conclusion of her first number, "Angus McDonald," that the prepossessities heralding her coming were more aggetations of this lady's talent as singer of Scotch ballads for anyone who had a drop of Highland or Lowland blood in their veins could not help but feel a thrill as she sang the words of the familiar airs. "Wi' a Hundred Pipers" gave great scope for dramatic work and Miss Maclachlan was applauded to the echo at the close of the stirring old ballad, and at the conclusion of the song the audience would not be satisfied until she appeared again and favored them with a recitation of "Rory O'More" and "Rule Britannia," besides adding variation to the programme demonstrated that she could handle other than that of her native land, and the hearty encore applause which went up from the audience when Miss Maclachlan's numbers were given, proved that she had been appreciated to the full.

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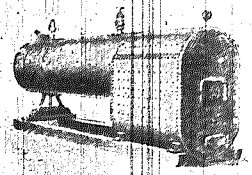

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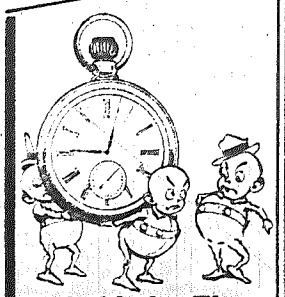

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THE PLATINUM DEPOSITS.

To the Editor of the Miner:

Sir:—Your issue of the 15th inst. contains a letter from Mr. Wm. Ramsay, of Toronto, in which he says that the platinum deposits on Lake of the Woods are of no value. Mr. Ramsay is evidently not aware that the Canadian Copper Co. have been operating on the Lake of the Woods for the past two years, and have expended a large amount of money in developing their property. Mr. Ramsay is also evidently not aware that the Canadian Copper Co. have been shipping ore from their property to the Orford Copper Co.'s refinery at Constable Hook, New Jersey, for the past two years, and that the Orford Copper Co. have been paying the Canadian Copper Co. for the platinum contained in the ore. Mr. Ramsay is also evidently not aware that the Canadian Copper Co. have been shipping ore from their property to the Orford Copper Co.'s refinery at Constable Hook, New Jersey, for the past two years, and that the Orford Copper Co. have been paying the Canadian Copper Co. for the platinum contained in the ore.

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While I am at it, there is another suggestion which I would like to make. I noticed in yesterday's Lake of the Woods Daily a statement that representatives of some of the insurance companies had asked that an investigation be held into the two last fires, namely, Young's and Fraser's. I think that the request falls short. There should be an investigation held into every one of the fires which has recently taken place in this town, beginning with the first, which I believe was that of E. G. Hall, down to the last, a most strict and searching investigation. If these fires were the result of accident the citizens want to know it, and it will restore confidence and help to quiet that panicky feeling of the citizens. If they are the result of design, the citizens want to know it, and we will know how to act. It is idle for me to state that there are all sorts of rumors flying regarding a number of the late fires. An opportunity should be given to citizens to give their evidence on an investigation of the different fires.

Yours, etc.,
CITIZEN.

Disciples of Christ and Missions.

To the Editor of the Miner:

It is not generally known, in the community, that the people known as Disciples of Christ are eminently a missionary people. Like the disciples of old they believe in going "everywhere and preaching the word." True to their conviction they have organized and carried on an extensive missionary work, at home and in foreign lands. Last year contributing for the support of this work $900,872.85.

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J. KEENE.

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In speaking of the case last Monday a young man remarked that "Louis Chess is better dead anyway." Though few will express the sentiment with such brutality, this seems to be a common feeling towards the poor slaves of appetite. But is not the tragedy in such a case all the more appalling? Can it be that we are barbarous in our cruelty to the children of weakness and temptation? We furnish protection to our insane and sick, ought we not also to defend the drunkard from his passion, whether inherited or acquired? I have no words with which to characterize the men who will sell whiskey to men like Louis Chess when they know to be absolutely controlled by a depraved appetite. Most strenuously do I contend that for the state to place stimulants in the hands of such men is like a parent giving pistols, razors and bomb-shells to their babies for playthings. If expressing the dark deeds of drink were sufficient to rouse men to action, not a man in Rat Portage would fail on Oct 14 to pull the rope and toll the death-knell of this horrible traffic. We are appalled at the recent fires but we regularly waste enough in this town in two years to restore every stick and stone; and certainly the losses by fire are not to be compared with the loss of manhood, of character and of human life during the past four months. Yet we take these things as a matter of course.

Trusting the day is not far distant when a new and better state of things will prevail among us.

Yours truly,
J. H. MORRIS.

1.30 O'CLOCK DRAW.

Rat Portage left Treherne tied to the post on No. 6 ice in the International. It was Smith's game all through, and the Treherne men quit on the ninth end, giving up the struggle as useless. Smith is playing a fine game, and looks like winning something.

Rat Portage.	Treherne.
H. C. Percival.	I. Metcalfe.
S. C. Burton.	Rev. A. Cook.
T. Johnson.	W. J. Parker.
G. Smith.	J. K. Robson.
Skip..... 19	Skip..... 3

ALFRED NICHOLSON.

The sad news [illegible] day that Alfred Nicholson, [illegible] of Mr. and Mrs. McNicholson [illegible] married to [illegible] after a painful illness [illegible] for a long [illegible] general favorite [illegible] ing and quiet disposition [illegible] the respect of the [illegible] esteem of the older [illegible] community. He [illegible] in his habits and given [illegible] the playground [illegible] study he had [illegible] knowledge of [illegible] proficiency [illegible] piano and organ [illegible] ture was indeed [illegible] a human standpoint his [illegible] the first loss which [illegible] in spite of the greatest [illegible] The deepest sympathy [illegible] all ranks for the bereaved parents whose affliction [illegible]

The funeral, which was attended by a large number of people, took place this afternoon, the remains being taken first to Knox church [illegible] were held.

MR. DRAPER MARRIED.

Toronto, Feb. 19. A quiet but pretty wedding took place at noon today at the Queen's hotel, when Miss Lillian May Sinclair, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lachin Sinclair of Tilsonburg, became the bride of George H. Draper, barrister-at-law, of Rat Portage. Rev. Wm. Draper, of Port Perry, brother of the groom, read the marriage ceremony. The bride was assisted by her sister, Miss Marguerite V. Sinclair. Owing to the very recent death of the bride's grandfather, the late E. D. Tilson, only the immediate relatives were present. The groom is well known in Toronto, where he spent several years in the law office of McDonald and Rolland. He is now one of the best known barristers in Rat Portage.

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INSURANCE.

A prominent underwriter in Winnipeg discussing our insurance question says: "Owing to the belief that one or more incendiaries were at work in Rat Portage, the citizens of that town had been insuring heavily, and the underwriters did not care to take the risks on the old rates. The insurance under the advanced rates was not so heavy as might appear without comparison. On a fourth class isolated building such as would be $1.50 per hundred for three years in Winnipeg, for instance, the rate at Rat Portage now would be $1.75 for the same period. Or to take another instance, a good business block of first class solid brick with iron roof, the rate in Rat Portage would be $1.87 per hundred, and in Winnipeg for the same class of building, $4.50."

That is all right as far as it goes, but this underwriter is not aware evidently of the high-handed manner in which the board of underwriters have not only raised rates but have cancelled risks altogether. The $1,200 policy on Fraser's $5,000 stock was withdrawn without even an investigation. We said in our last issue that this was unfair, and we repeat it. It is also an injustice to our business community that they should have treatment dealt out to them as if they were all incendiaries, especially when it is remembered that they are paying for a $180,000 water works as well as their premiums, and maintenance of an expensive fire brigade.

COMPETITION VS. CO-OPERATION.

Time was when an article was worth just so much or so little as it would sell for in the open market. This was the doctrine of the British school of political economists, but it is being repudiated of late and a new text is being adopted in the school. An article is now worth what it costs to produce it. J. Pierpont Morgan and his associates are following out this idea. They know what it costs to produce an article, they know what their own profit must be, and they are in a position to dictate what the selling price shall be. The British ironmonger says there has been splendid steadi- [...] famous gambling Mecca is still doing business at the old stand, and it is rumored that after attending the directors' meeting at Hoboken, Schwab retired to his study to begin writing a new song to be entitled "I'm the man who didn't break the bank at Monte Carlo."

The United States have been paying so much attention to the education, and incidentally to the lynching of negroes, that southern whites in poor circumstances are being entirely neglected. The negroes may obtain all the education they desire free of charge, while the whites can get only an elementary schooling. Mr. O. F. Hillyer, professor of biblical language at the Atlanta seminary, says there are twice the facilities for the education of the negroes in the south to those of the whites, and he is out now calling the attention of the people to this phase of development in the south.

THE ROPE FIRE ESCAPE.

It Would Seem to Be a Delusion and A Snare.

"Strange how people pin their faith to rope as a means of escape from burning buildings," remarked an officer of the fire department. "Hundreds of traveling men carry a coil of light rope habitually in one of their trunks and feel safe on the upper floors of hotels they know are mere deathtraps. A drummer of my acquaintance, who weighs fully 200 pounds and who has taken no exercise for the last twenty years, has a sample case with a special compartment containing fifty yards of silk lifeline, extremely light and strong.

"'Do you really think you could slide down on that in case of fire?' I asked him when he showed me the arrangement.

"'Why not?' he replied. 'It's been tested to three times my weight.'

"The only difficulty that occurred to him was the breaking of the line. That he would have no trouble hanging to it on the way down he took for granted. Now, as a matter of fact," continued the speaker, "a rope is the very worst fire escape imaginable. To begin with, a moment's reflection will show you that the chances are two to one that it will catch on fire and be destroyed before it can be used. The windows of nearly all buildings are arranged in straight vertical lines, one directly above the other, and a rope thrown out of an upper story would necessarily cross every casement on the way down. The probabilities are that some or all of them would be spouting flame and the rope would last about as long as a piece of pack thread.

"But, assuming the coast to be clear, a rope would be almost useless to anybody but a trained gymnast. The average man would find it physically impossible to let himself down hand over hand, and if he attempted to slide his palms would be flayed, and he would let go involuntarily before he went thirty feet. Gloves or cloth are no advantage, as we have proved by tests in the department. If they are thick enough to prevent abrasion they will also prevent one from obtaining sufficient purchase to ease the descent.

"The only thing of any value in that respect is the handkerchief looped loosely around the rope and then tied firmly by both ends to the wrist. The loop will bind slightly in the descent and act as a brake. That is something, by the way, [...]

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Many persons have been rudely shocked [illegible] find that a flower for which [illegible] they gave a considerable [illegible] [illegible] proved subsequently to be artificial in every particular. [illegible] own experience not long ago [illegible] of a gentleman sitting at dinner [illegible] was drawn to the fact [illegible]

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London's Passion For Luxury.

The tendency among the British nobility [illegible]

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The actors' postoffice was established many years ago in a corner of the office of The Dramatic Mirror, a newspaper devoted to the affairs of stageland. It has never been a very large office, but its business and importance to its clients have both increased to such an extent that it is now a recognized and necessary institution. It is also one of the busiest little offices in the United States, for nowadays no actor or actress troubles to give a private address. It is taken for granted that all correspondents know that the easiest and quickest method of sending a letter to a theatrical person is [...]

In the High Court of Justice

PURSUANT TO A JUDGMENT of the High Court of Justice made in a certain action wherein William Nickson was plaintiff and George Drewry et al defendants, I have proceeded to wind up the affairs of the partnership carried on between the late John W. Coleleugh, David L. Mather and Silas L. Griffis under the firm name of "Silas L. Griffis." The creditors therefore of the said firm of "Silas L. Griffis" are to send by post, prepaid, to Joseph Edward Bird, the Solicitor for Thos. Mair, administrator of the Coleleugh estate, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of the securities, if any, held by them, or in default thereof, they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said judgment. Every creditor holding any security is to produce the same before me at my Chambers at the Court House, in the Town of Rat Portage, on Monday, the 10th day of March, 1902, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for the adjudication upon the claims.

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Time was when an article was worth just so much or so little as it would sell for in the open market. This was the doctrine of the British school of political economists, but it is being repudiated of late and a new text is being adopted in the school. An article is now worth what it costs to produce it. J. Pierpont Morgan and his associates have following out this idea. They know what it costs to produce an article, they know what their own profit must be, and they are in a position to dictate what the selling price shall be. The British ironmonger says there has been splendid steadiness about steel since the trust took hold of it, and business both for the merchant and the workingman is better and more permanent. It seems strange that the trust should demonstrate the practicability of a theory which the socialists have been advocating amid the sneers of the industrial economists for years. And yet people are still crying out against the trusts instead of allowing them to travel to their logical goal, viz: ultimate government ownership.

THE INCENTIVE

Attorney General Gibson's bill for the establishment of a registry office at Fort Frances provides that the act shall come into force when the government says so by proclamation. While they recognizes that a registry office should be opened at Fort Frances, but he does not like the idea of the government waiting to see how the elections go before they do anything. It is to be hoped that the Ontario Government will act differently in the matter of our new iron bridge as it would not do to figure how many of a majority we give our members in proclamation by the government that the structure were built, would be a taking game and would carry about as much weight as a bridge built on this means.

THE UNEARNED INCREMENT

The syndicate managers of the United States Steel corporation have declared a dividend of 5 per cent. on $510,000,000 the amount of $25,000,000, for which the underwriting syndicate was formed. Of the $25,000,000 the which the syndicate made itself liable only 11 per cent. or $2,750,000, was ever called. This $25,000,000 was paid back some time ago to the syndicate members.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Conservatives were injudicious in inviting the party problems between the government and the independent candidates. Had they stayed out of it R. Logan Richardson would certainly have been elected, and of course would have been in opposition to the government. O grave where is thy victory, O Tombs where is thy deposit?

Schwab, the president of the United States Steel—beg pardon—Steel Trust, has returned from Monte Carlo. The

as long as a piece of pack thread.

But, assuming the coast to be clear, a rope would be almost useless to any body but a trained gymnast. The average man would find it physically impossible to let himself down hand over hand, and if he attempted to slide his palms would be fayed, and he would let go involuntarily before he went thirty feet. Gloves or cloth are no advantage, as we have proved by tests in the department. If they are thick enough to prevent abrasion they will also prevent persons obtaining sufficient purchase to stop the descent.

The only thing of any value in that respect is the handkerchief looped loosely around the rope and then tied firmly by both ends to the wrist. The loop will bind slightly in the descent and act as a brake. That is something, by the way, that is well worth remembering. Getting a hitch on two of the rope around one's leg is of no use whatever, unless sufficient body has held of the lower end and is keeping hitfast. Altogether, the rope escape is a delusion and a snare, and I wish the fact were generally understood, because the confidence that is reposed in it makes people careless of other and proper precautions."

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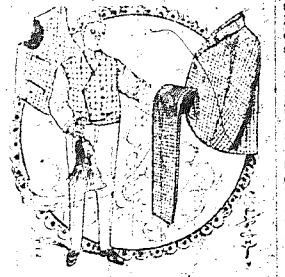
London's Passion For Luxury.

The tendency among the British middle classes is rather to lavish their incomes than to hoard them, says an American newspaper. There is also a passion for luxury in London, and a desire to display, which seems a peculiarly stupid and useless desire in a large city, where one seldom knows one's neighbors. And so, too, the cordial "good luck" dinners of a generation ago have given place to ceremonial champagne functions, in which a man out of dress clothes is out of place.



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Typewriting in Arabic.

Selim St. Hamad has invented a typewriter that seems to have overcome most, if not all, the difficulties of printing Arabic characters. In devising the machine he had to consider not only the enormous number of characters, the spacing of the letters, the necessity for printing words required above, or below the line, and finally the junction of the letters. For there is no uniform principle, every character having its own joining peculiarities. He reduced the number of signs from 238 to 53 without sacrificing the essentials of modern writing. He met the difficulty of the varying breadth of letters by splitting some into two separate units. Out of four years devoted to the work, about eighteen months in the United States, and his invention cost him $1,000. A thorough trial of the machine has been ordered by the Sultan, and if the test proves successful the typewriter is likely to be adopted in the Soudan Administration offices and by the business men of Cairo and Alexandria.—London Morning Post.

Application to Parliament.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario at the present session for an Act to change the name of the Town of "Rat Portage" to that of "Kenora," making the corporate name of the said Town "The Corporation of the Town of Kenora."

ALLAN McLENNAN,
Solicitor for the Town of Rat Portage.
Rat Portage, Feb. 5th, 1902.

Application to Parliament.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario at its next session for an Act;

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SOME TALES OF THE DEAD BISONETTE OF SICOTTE, QUEBEC.

An Escapade of His College Days Drove Him to the Backwoods—Credulity of Settlers Drove Him to Practice Witchcraft—A Rival Witch—What He Did With His Large Earnings.

Bisonette of Sicotte township is dead. As a professional wizard he had a large and widespread clientele, composed chiefly of the unlearned and ignorant, but comprising also some of the higher social rank. In the days before the railway, to reach his little mica covered house in the woods, many people took the laborious drive of eighty-five miles from Ottawa. And the post-offices within a radius of thirty miles, delivered to Bisonette much mail matter, some dainty missives, and many a registered letter.

Many of the inquiries he received were concerned with matters of health. To such inquiries Bisonette was not an altogether bad adviser. He was a medical student in Montreal in his young days, but an escapade drove him from college to the backwoods. Some surprising cures of men and beast when out of pure kindness he helped his neighbors in the time before doctors settled in the locality, and the credulity of the settlers led him on to practicing witchcraft, in which he finally came himself to believe.

Much of his correspondence, and most of his local business had to do with charms. These in the shape of meaningless incantations, sprigs of herbs, dried insects, bits of dried skins, ambiguous texts of Scripture, and sentences borrowed from books upon the Black Art, of which he had a curious collection, were sold to all who wanted them. His prices were always nicely graded to the customers.

Some forty miles lower down the river lived a rival of Bisonette's, a Mrs. Benham. This woman was popularly supposed to have more power on water than Bisonette, who excelled upon dry land. One day some log drivers came to her house and partook of such food as she had, but went away without paying for it. Just as their boat pushed out into the swift current the sorceress demanded her money, when the men jeered and flatly declined to pay. The next moment their boat stopped, and, in spite of their rowing, remained stationary until they humbly besought the powerful lady to allow them to return to shore and settle their bill. At least so the story runs.

Mrs. Benham died of pneumonia one night twelve or fourteen years ago. That same night Bisonette was in attendance upon a sick horse. He knocked his head against its forehead, and then told those present to leave the stable, as he felt he was about to have a bad struggle with a rival witch, who was at work upon the suffering brute.

As the men left they declare that they saw a black cat enter the stable, and the candle in the lantern was burning low and with a blue flame. They heard the sound of a conflict between a dog and a cat from the house, where they remained until the witch came in, his face scratched and bleeding, and exclaiming that the horse was saved at last, but Mother Benham was no more.

ONTARIO TO OTHER EYES.

The Province Looks Like Home to an Englishman—People Happy, Contented and Prosperous—Good Climate.

It is a familiar remark that all cities are alike, writes the special correspondent of The London Standard who accompanied the royal party during their tour. In Canada, however, they are entirely different. Quebec, for example, is a beautiful and ancient dame, with the manners of a past age. Winnipeg is a hoyden. Victoria a dainty maiden, Ottawa a lady of fashion, Montreal a solid business man, and Toronto a well-to-do citizen with a place in the country. It was with a feeling of repose that we approached the capital of Ontario. Night and day we had sped across bare heaths and through great stretches of forest, beautiful in their scarlet and purple vastness. Never have seen such masses of color — the deep purple of the blue beech, the trembling orange and gold of birch and aspen, wreathed with the dark green of pines, a carpet of flaming sumach—all fading into a dream of pink and purple and green and gold against the cold blue of an autumn sky. As we drew near to Toronto a new and quiet sense of home came over us. From the windows of the train we looked out across English meadows and gardens and hedgerows, right away to a blue line of hills and a dull grey sky. Smiling homesteads, pleasant hamlets, busy towns, glided past us, leaving an impression of industry, content and settled prosperity. The people, too, reminded us strongly of home, for we were in the heart of a British and Protestant community. Everywhere the Duke and Duchess had been welcomed warmly and heartily, even in French and Catholic Quebec, but in my ears the cheers of Toronto sounded more stirring, more British in force and value.

I am not sure that this feeling of home was not due in part to another cause. It was raining. The climate of Canada has been woefully misrepresented. Most people remember the words, "Our Lady of the Snows," and forget the license of the poet. There is a popular belief that in the Dominion they leap from "winter to summer without a spring." Now, in this journey of nearly six thousand miles, we have had almost perfect weather. Though on the edge of winter, only on one fleeting day have we had snow. Three or four showers of rain, and all the rest bright, warm and sunny. Even the winter, as everyone will tell you, is less trying than that of England, for the air is clear and dry, and still, though the thermometer may be many degrees below zero. Only when the wind blows—and that is rarely—do you need to wrap yourself in furs and avoid exposure. Well, it was rain in Toronto, and the sky was leaden, and no one seemed to give it a thought. The children — there were six thousand healthy youngsters at the railway station — sang their national songs, waved their Union Jacks and maple leaves, and cheered as lustily as if the sun had been shining on them and they were not soaked to the skin. The streets were densely crowded, and the enthusiasm was a thing to be remembered. Their Royal Highnesses drove through miles of suburbs, in which are many beautiful residences, gardens radiant with blossoms and leafy avenues. In the city are many handsome churches and public buildings with well-ordered streets, tho-

A CANADIAN ILLUSTRATOR.

Mr. Arthur Heming, Who Is Making a Name in New York.

Among the young Canadians who are making a name for themselves in New York is Mr. Arthur Heming, whose powers as an illustrator are not unknown to Canadian readers. Mr. Heming was born at Paris, Ont., Jan. 17th, 1871. His family moved to Hamilton when he was in his tenth year. Office work was his first employment, but the passion of drawing things, which had shown itself in his very infancy, was destined to find greater opportunities for development in the larger community. He was among the first pupils of the newly-formed Hamilton Art School, but after a few weeks' study he was advanced to the position of teacher, and continued in town until his twentieth year. Long before this period he had determined to make Canadian wild life his particular study, and at every opportunity he took such trips as his means would permit, in order to study the wild creatures of the fields and woods in their natural habitat. His first actual engagement as an illustrator was on the staff of the old Dominion Illustrated. When the monthly ceased publication he became a free lance, and was perhaps the first Canadian who depended upon his work as an illustrator for his means of livelihood. He accounts his first real success, from 1892, when he sold a number of drawings to Harper's. Ever since that he has been busy with work for New York publishers. It was at his suggestion that the Messrs. Harper despatched Casper W. Whitney to the Barren Grounds some years ago. Mr. Heming accompanied him as illustrator. He was severely laid up a fair way on the journey out, and he was compelled to return to Athabasca Landing, accompanied by an Indian, despite patrolling with Northwest Mounted Police and Hudson's Bay pack trains inside Rockies. Mr. Heming has covered 550 miles on a raft, 1,100 by dog team, 1,700 on snowshoes and 3,300 miles by canoe. His last trip was to Lake Athabasca, which he returned in July. One of Mr. Heming's letters accompanied him on this trip, being the first white woman seen in the district with the exception of the wife of the Hudson Bay factor. He is writing an illustrated article on the trip. He is at present [illegible] engaged on the illustrations to a story entitled "The Outcasts" by Mr. W. A. Fraser. Chas. Scribner's Sons being the publishers. The headings and tail pieces will be by Mr. J. S. Gordon, another Hamilton man. Mr. Heming is also illustrating a sumptuous "Animal book" soon to be issued by R. H. Russell, the New York publisher.

Old and Young Preachers.

Those who plead the cause of the older and mature ministers frequently remind their hearers that a lawyer is worth more to his clients or a doctor to his patients when he has grown old, than when he was young. And the statement may be true, but it is not true simply because the practitioner has grown old. Experience counts for much in a man, but experience in knowledge is no guarantee that experience will not obtrude a continual success. Let a lawyer or a doctor cease to read and study, and he will soon be standing upon the head of

MY SCHOLARS.

When the tasks and the lessons are ended,
And the school for the day is dismissed,
The little ones gather around me
To bid me good-night and be kissed.
Oh, the little white arms that encircle
My neck in their tender embrace;
Oh! the smiles that are light of heaven
Shedding sunshine of love on my face!

Oh! my heart grows as weak as a woman's,
And the fount of my feelings will flow
When I think of the patter of little feet,
The dimpled hands folded so low.

They are types of your sins of omission,
They are shapes of God in disguise,
His angels still always in heaven
Do those little ones look upon [illegible]

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For Portage Oct. 26th, 1901.

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DR. DAVID, [illegible]

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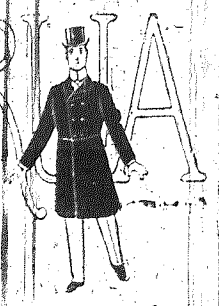

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shore and settle their bill. At least so the story runs.

Mrs. Benham died of pneumonia one night twelve or fourteen years ago. That same night Bisonette was in attendance upon a sick horse. He knocked his head against its forehead, and then told those present to leave the stable, as he felt he was about to have a bad struggle with a rival witch, who was at work upon the suffering brute.

As the men left they declare that they saw a black cat enter the stable, and the candle in the lantern was burning low and with a blue flame. They heard the sound of a conflict between a dog and a cat, from the house, where they remained until the witch came in, his face scratched and bleeding, and exclaiming that the horse was saved at last, but Mother Benham was so badly hurt that she could not live till morning.

The doctor explained that the woman had died quite naturally from lung trouble in his presence.

A man, driven to desperation by rheumatism, made a laborious visit to Bisonette. The advice showed the wizard's acquaintance with negro voudouism. The patient was to take a two-inch augar and a two-inch plug four inches long and go at midnight into a certain bush there by moonlight to hunt up a brown ash tree. He was to bore six inches deep into this and within the hole place a lock of his hair and then breathe hard into it thirteen times. Then as quickly as possible he was to drive in the plug and let no one know where the tree was situated. The visitor received no palpable benefit, but was assured that the disease would never reach his heart unless that plug was withdrawn.

Philtres are still used by the lovelorn in that region. Many a mother believes that her lad was inveigled into marriage by a love dose secretly administered, and many a young lover slyly slips the potent drops into the sought-after one's cup. One philtre which a maiden bewailing the death of her lover acknowledged having administered was rather surprising. A tree toad, a black smoke, a horned pout, a bat, thirteen hairs from a black cat's tail, and a lock of the damsel's hair were put into a covered oven, and baked to a black crisp in the sand. The ashes were rubbed fine and divided into twelve parts, of which seven were left in a church, four were put in a bag and worn over the heart, and one was to be surreptitiously administered to the victim.

What became of all the money Bisonette made the local folk could not imagine. There are only three who know that all he could spare from a bare existence went by way of expiation for a crime committed against a too-confiding friend in the old days, when he was innocent of any coquetting with the black art.

The Insular Englishman.

Two Frenchmen met one day, and one said to the other: "As I was coming down the street to-day a young man stopped and said to me, 'Have you got a match, please?' Well, I thanked him very much, and told him I had a boxful, and I also told him that it was very considerate of him asking me as I might not have had any, then I would not be able to have a cigarette. But that man did not vouchsafe me until I threw a cracker out of sight. I can't understand these English at all."

Mr. J. S. Gordon, another Hamiltonian, Mr. Heming is also illustrating a sumptuous "Festival Book" soon to be issued by H. H. Russell, the New York publisher.

Old and Young Preachers.

Those who plead the cause of the older and maturer ministers frequently remind their hearers that a lawyer is worth more to his clients or a doctor to his patients when he has grown old than when he was young. And the statement may be true, but it is not true simply because the professional man has grown old. Experience counts for much in the life of a man, but experience in years judges it as it goes by no means always. Experience will not ordinarily compensate for a lawyer or a doctor growing dull and stupid, and he will soon be treading upon the dead line that has proved fatal to many a minister. But let him put as much time, study and energy into his business after he is 50 or 60, as he did in his younger days, and the probability is he will be more sought after than he ever was in earlier life. The lesson is obvious. No preacher should presume to trade solely upon capital accumulated in his younger days. If he does, he will certainly become bankrupt, and early so. The preacher must make full proof of his ministry by laying a broad and deep foundation of knowledge, building wisely upon it, and making judicious additions to the superstructure. — Canadian Baptist.

Children Don't Understand.

A little girl who is frequently sent to a small store to make purchases has generally been given some cents in the exchange she keeps for herself. The other day for instance she did not want to accept all those given her, as they were not good for it. The child was longer at the store than usual, and on returning to her mother said: "Now I pay you back what you gave me, and I take not one cent out of the store."

"Oh, no, mamma, was the reply. "I told her that I wouldn't take any candy, as you said it wasn't good for me, but that I didn't mind if I had a piece of pie would hurt me, and the lady brought me a piece of pie."

Giving the Couple Away.

There was a lot of fun for people who were on Yonge and King street west, and other streets leading to the Union depot about the time of the other evening.

A cab drawn by a team of white horses dashed along with a couple of old shoes flying on the front and large white placards on the sides and rear of the vehicle bore this inscription in big black letters:

JUST
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Meanwhile the happy couple sat inside, apparently oblivious of the commotion they were creating on the streets.

A Prosperous Canadian Town.

Midland is to be congratulated. During the past season buildings valued at $175,000 were erected within the boundaries of the town, the greater proportion being dwellings, the only large items being a $20,000 church, a $7,000 hotel and a $10,000 business block. The year 1900 showed an almost equal activity in this direction. The town flatters itself that it is at last realizing the high opinion which Governor Simcoe formed of its situation.

Old Age Pensions.

Sir Alfred Dillon Bell, K.C.M.G., Chairman of the Commission of Conciliation and Arbitration in which position he succeeded Sir George Wrixon Lees, died recently. The Illustrated London News brought to his new duties the ripest experience, gained by him as Comptroller-General for Commerce, Labor and Statistics. Born in 1844, the son of a Nottinghamshire clergyman, he was educated at Leyton and Brighton College. Many years since he entered the Board of Trade, and its activities during that period have included a call to the bar, and the secretaryship of various commissions and conferences on matters of trade and the tariff, to which trade is affected. Four years ago he was elected President of the Royal Statistical Society.

Wash and Be Clean.

London public baths are increasing in numbers, and the people are beginning to realize the benefits of cleanliness. Yesterday [illegible] Council [illegible] Baths Committee [illegible] Council [illegible] Baths [illegible] Council [illegible] Baths [illegible] Council [illegible] Baths

THE GLASGOW HOUSE

FEB. 18 TO FEB. 28

Great Anniversary Sale

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THIS BEING THE ANNIVERSARY OF OUR BUSINESS IN RAT PORTAGE we have determined to make it a lively one in Dry Goods Merchandising. For the past two years we have been catering to the Dry Goods wants of the people of Rat Portage, Norman and Keewatin. It has been our aim right along to keep an Up-to-Date Stock and sell at the Closest Margin of Profit. Our business has increased to such an extent that we are compelled to extend our premises, when we hope by enlarged departments to be in a better position than ever to cater to the wants of the buying public.

A Great Feast of Bargains for February.

Dress Goods Sale.

18 yards Scotch Tweed Skirting 3 1-4 yards to the piece. Regular price $4.50. Sale $2.75

5 Pieces Ladies' Cloth in Fawn, Castor, Gray, Navy and Black. Good value at $1.25. Sale price 80c

6 Pieces Fancy Scotch Plaids, 42 inches wide. Regular 35c Goods. Sale price 22c

8 Pieces English Melton Cloth in Black, Gray and Navy. Good value at 75c. Sale price 42c

Remnants of Dress Goods to be cleared out Regardless of Cost.

Ladies' Underwear and Hosiery Sale

Ladies' Wool Vests, short sleeves, fast black. Regular price $1.75 each. Sale $1.10

8 Dozen Ladies' Wool Plush Vests and Drawers. Regular price $2.50 the Suit. Sale $1.50

Odd Pieces in Ladies' and Children's Vests and Drawers - At Less than Half Price

20 Dozen Ladies' Fine Black Cashmere Hose. Good value at 40c. - - Sale 25c

All Wool Hosiery Selling at Clearing Prices for February.

Ladies' Blouse Sale.. We offer during February all our stock of Sateen, Flannel and Cashmere Blouses at Half Price. Full assortment of sizes.

25 Flannelette Wrappers. Sizes 34 to 42. - - - - All at Half Price.

Special Purchase of Novelty Blouse Silks. In all the Latest Shades. Wide and Narrow Stripes. These elegant goods are well worth 75c per yard. During February we will Sell them at - - - 35c per yard.

Boys' Clothing Sale. This will be one of the Principal Features of the Anniversary Sale. We have always made a Specialty of Suits for the Boys. Mothers will find the Right Sort Here. Something that will wear and look well. Price on every suit CUT IN TWO.

Agents for the Renowned NEW IDEA PATTERNS. Price 15c Each.

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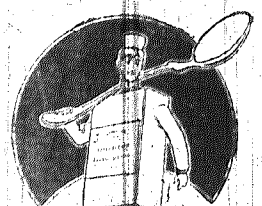

No Need of Making a Walking Medicine Bottle of Yourself.

THE Norwegian Cod Liver Oil is a Food which will do away with the necessity of drugs. Builds up the debilitated system in quick time. 25c and 50c per bottle.

English capitalists are interested. Tu colonel says he is doing a land office business in Winnipeg, and predicts for Manitoba this season the greatest boom ever seen in the country.

Mr. Bolton, the English capitalist who is operating a claim near the Sa Kouse is in town. He reports a find o platinum in the rock having been dis covered in the Manitou.

Mr. Boyle, manager of a propert near Dinorwic, left on this morning' train for Winnipeg.

The dining room of the Opera Hous has been moved into the assembly hall and the old dining room is now th hotel office and rotunda.

Manager McMillan of the Mikad mine arrived in town yesterday.

Mr. S. J. Cummins returned Thursday evening from Winnipeg.

Capt. Walpole Roland M. E. return ed yesterday from a visit to the Mikado Mine.

Next Monday is the regular meetin night of the town Council.

Mr. H. Kendall of the Hudson' Ba Company is in Winnipeg purchasin

Vigorous Womanhood

Made Perfect by Dr. Chase's Nerve Food—A Common Sense Treatment which Does Exactly What is Claimed for It.

The happiness of every home depends upon the health of the wife and mother. If she is nervous, peevish and irritable, worried by the little ills and fancied ills that are so common in the human system, there can be no sunshine in the home for husband and children.

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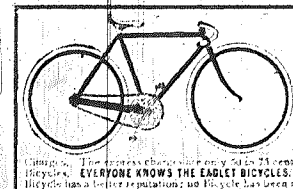
DR. CROZIER'S WORK.

A Canadian in London Who Is Winning the Highest Kind of Literary Recognition and Deservedly So.

M. A. P. contains the following interesting reference to the latest work of Dr. Crozier, the well-known Canadian author:

Dr. Crozier has just published a new volume in his great series on the History of Intellectual Development on the Lines of Modern Evolution. The extraordinary courage with which this wonderful man has stuck to this gigantic undertaking is one of the finest chapters in the history of letters. I told the full story in these columns some years ago and I need only here repeat that twenty years ago Dr. Crozier, then a young doctor in a big practice, was seized with the idea of writing a history of the intellectual development of humanity. Amid all the confusion and apparent chaos and anarchy—amid all the changes of time and clime and creed—from the religion of the Greek and the Roman to that of the Hindoo, the Buddhist and the Christian—he thought he could see one great connecting and intelligent plan and clue, and to trace all that out became the great idea and object of his life.

"I have met many learned men in my time, but I never met one who struck me as having grasped so wide



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Wood's Drug Store

Cor. Matheson and Fort, Rat Portage.

Items of Local Interest

Mr. J. H. Hiscock of Winnipeg has arrived to take the position of accountant at the Hudson's Bay store.

Mr. Johnson accountant of the Hudson's Bay Company has resigned, to accept a position as traveller for the Martin, Bole & Wynne Co., of Winnipeg.

Miss Mcfarlane left on the local yesterday for Winnipeg the express from the eastward arriving until late last night.

Mr. Moore, Minneapolis; J. P. Dougherty and T. D. Rose of Winnipeg are registered at the Hillyard Queen House.

The most interesting event of the evening occurred just after the routine proceedings on the orders of the day, had been concluded, when Hugh Armstrong address of the house supported by Hon. R. F. Sutherland on his right and T. W. Taylor on his left. He took his seat amid applause from members on both sides of the house. Telegram.

A. W. Ross, of Winnipeg, arrived in town last night on business connected with a mining deal in which he is interested.

If You Could Look into the throat and see the condition which your cough is neglected, with it's sore throat, it would seek relief at once—and that naturally would be through

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Mr. Lacoste of the Ash Rapids Gold Mining Company is in town.

The machinery for the 20th Century Mine in the Manitou has arrived and now at Dinorwic awaiting shipment to the location.

Mr. H. O. Gibbs, of Traverse City, Mich., who has been here for the last two weeks examining mining claims for an American syndicate, arrived in town from the lake today, and will leave on tomorrow's train to return home where he will report on the district.

An inquiry before Crozier, Applebe and a jury is being held in the court house to investigate the Fraser bar and Young's clothing store fires. The evidence in the Fraser case is all in but the verdict has not yet been given. The Young fire is now occupying the attention of the court.

Auditor Pender returned last night to Winnipeg.

NORMAN NEWS.

Rev. R. Nairn will conduct the evening service in the Presbyterian church next Sunday.

Mr. Lacy Desmarais is building an extensive addition to his residence on the Keewatin road.

Mr. Wm. Greenwood, Chief Ranger of Court Norman, I.O.F., was elected High Vice Chief Ranger at a meeting of the High Court in Winnipeg yesterday.

Mr. J. B. Davies left on the express this morning on a business visit to Winnipeg.

Rev. J. S. Woodsworth will conduct the service in the Methodist church next Sunday morning.

GOLD IN YOUR GARRET.

In many thousands of garrets and attics there must have gold stored away and yet not dreamed of. It is not in coin nor in bullion, but it is gold in solid value nevertheless, for it is the rich material of cast off and faded clothing, garments, and rags that can be turned into a good profit by the use of Diamond Dyes.

A few cents for Diamond Dyes and a little work, makes these old dresses or waists look as good as new. One package of Diamond Dyes will give new life and beauty to your husband's overcoat, and thus save quite perhaps for the dry goodsman. Your carpets and rugs can be revived with Diamond Dyes with a handsome suit or fashionable garment for the comfort of your home. All the work and trouble suggested will give you results that will please you.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The I.O.F. met in their hall last Tuesday night and after the regular business was finished, the installation of officers took place. Their names are: C. R., R. J. Sharpe; V.C.R., J. W. Pickett; F.D., M. Steggmiller; R.D., R. E. Preston; Treas., J. W. Hombler; Or., J. K. Rydon; S.W., A. Woods; J.W., S. C. McGinnis; S.B., R. J. Preston; J.B., M. Nicholson; Trustees, C. W. Belyea, A. S. Haswell; F.C., C. W. Belyea, R. J. Preston; C.D., Major L. J. A. Desrosiers; C.P., Dr. T. Hanson.

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Secures best service.
Stitches kept from breaking.

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BIRTHDAY OF PREMIER ROSS.

The Ruler of Ontario Is Now Sixty Years of Age

Wednesday, 18th Sept., was Premier Ross' birthday, and he is 60 years old. He is now on the ocean on his way home from Britain. Mr. Ross was born of Scottish parents near Nairn, Middlesex County, Ontario, on September 18, 1841. He received his early education in the public schools, and on obtaining a first-class teaching certificate from the County Board, he took a course at the Toronto Normal School, where he was awarded in 1871 a first-class provincial certificate. In 1880 he graduated in law at Albert University, gaining an L.L.B. degree, and in 1887 he was called to the bar. In 1871 he was appointed Inspector of Public Schools for the County of Lambton, and filled similar positions subsequently in the towns of Petrolea and Strathroy. He took a leading part in the formation of the County Model School system, and for a time filled the post of inspector. He made his first entry into the political arena in 1872, when he was elected to represent the Liberal interest in the House of Commons at Ottawa, for West Middlesex. In 1883, he forsook Dominion politics and entered the Mowat Government in Ontario as Minister of Education. This position he filled until Hon. A. S. Hardy's resignation, when he was promoted to the Premiership.

Wear Bunions?

Many bunion-cursed feet are to-day resting easily in the modernized, foot-conformed "Slater Shoe."

Many other kinds of painy, distorted feet find comfort in the "Slater Shoe."

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Special shapes of "Slater Shoes" for each kind of foot trouble.

You pay no more for comfort, wear and "Slater appearance than you do for the common, foot-hurting kinds that may or may not be Goodyear welted.

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If so, do not say that it does not pay to advertise because you think that people don't read advertisements. If people do not read advertisment you would not be reading this. Now, you will be honest enough to admit that you have read this.

There are Others

Refined Ale...

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This Ale is manufactured with the greatest of care and guaranteed to be perfectly pure.

Bottled in Half Pint Size for Family Use.

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LAND TITLES ACT

Mortgage Sale

OF VALUABLE PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT OF RAINY RIVER.

Under and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain Mortgage which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be sold by public auction at the Town Hall in the Town of Rat Portage by R. J. Preston, auctioneer, on **Friday the 28th day of February, A. D. 1902** at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, the following valuable property, namely:

That certain parcel of land registered under the Land Titles Act as parcel 3656 in the Registry for Rainy River, situate in the District of Rainy River and Province of Ontario, namely:

1. That part of Block "A" in the said District of Rainy River as shown on a Plan M. 28 filed in the office of Land Titles at Rat Portage, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point in the northerly limit of the right of way of the Canadian Pacific Railway at the distance of 3.25 chains West [illegible] from the East boundary of said Block "A," thence North parallel to the said East boundary of said Block "A" the distance of 16.15 chains to the Southerly limit of the Colonization Road, thence South-easterly along the Southerly limit of said Colonization Road to the Northeast corner of the said Block "A," thence South along the East boundary of the said Block "A" the distance of 14.17 chains to the Southeast corner thereof, thence westerly along the northerly limit to the right of way aforesaid of the Canadian Pacific Railway to the place of beginning, containing five acres more or less.

2. Block "C" in the said District as shown on above Plan M. 28 filed in the office of Land Titles at Rat Portage.

On the said part of Block "A" is said to be erected a frame cast cottage about 20x22 ft., and upon said Block "C" a rough-cast cottage about 24x20 ft., a frame barn about 20x21 ft., and milk house about 12x11 ft.

The said property is very advantageously situated in and adjacent to the Town of Rat Portage and is suitable for business or dairy purposes.

TERMS:—Ten per cent. of the purchase money at the time of sale and the balance in 30 days thereafter.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

ALEX. McLENNAN,
Solicitor, &c.,
Rat Portage.

Solicitor for the Vendor.

Dated at Rat Portage this 25th day of January, 1902.